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## CTC ALLOCATES \$561 MILLION TO UPGRADE STATE AND LOCAL TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE

**IRVINE** – The California Transportation Commission (CTC) has allocated \$561 million to 125 transportation projects that will help rebuild and maintain California's infrastructure, as well as encourage and support the use of alternate forms of transportation, such as bicycling and walking. Of this, 32 biking and pedestrian projects throughout the state will receive nearly \$8.5 million in allocations from the Active Transportation Program.

"At Caltrans, we are working to not only preserve our investments in the state highway system, but are also investing in projects that expand the availability bike and pedestrian access throughout the state," said Caltrans Director Malcolm Dougherty. "Allocations like those made today help us to ensure the state's transportation system will support and benefit Californians for decades to come."

Among the projects that received funding allocations today were:

- Orange: \$20.2 million to stabilize embankments, repair/replace bridge drainage aprons and reconstruct roadway pavement, guardrail and drainage systems at three locations on State Route 133 to rebuild and/or repair damaged roadway in Irvine.
- Orange: \$16.8 million to remove and replace failing Mechanically Stabilized earth walls and repair approach slab and bridge abutment to rebuild and/or repair damaged roadway on I-405 at Redhill Avenue Overcrossing in Costa Mesa.
- **Orange:** \$1.4 million to construct groundwater transmission line from Groundwater Treatment Facility at Walnut Avenue to meet current federally regulated groundwater discharge.
- **Orange:** \$752,000 for landscaping and replacement planting along seven acres with new irrigation controllers at Interstate 5/ State Route 74 Interchange.

Active transportation projects funded include:

• **Orange:** \$94,000 to the City of San Clemente for Concordia School Pedestrian Bicycle Improvements by widening the existing bicycle lanes and constructing 0.5 mile of



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sidewalk on a stretch of Avenida Del Presidente from Avenida Valencia to the south city limits near Cristianitos.

• **Orange:** \$53, 000 to the City of San Juan Capistrano to construct approximately three miles of bikeway improvements connecting seven bikeway gaps located throughout the City in an effort to increase bicycle use as an alternative mode of transportation.

The newly allocated funding also includes \$441.5 million from the State Highway Operation and Protection Program for 49 projects that will maintain and preserve the investment in the state highway system and its supporting infrastructure. These capital improvements consist of projects covering maintenance, pavement repair and rehabilitation, safety improvements and upgrades to bridges throughout the state.

The remaining \$110.9 million in allocations came from assorted transportation accounts funded by state and federal dollars.

Please see the attached file for more information about all projects that received allocations.

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